

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
PRIVACY ACTS**

**SUBJECT: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BOMBING/SEPTEMBER 15, 1963**

PART 6 OF 11



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BOMBING/SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

PART 6 OF 11

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SECTION ONE
BOMBING OF THE SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

DEC 29 1963

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Casper
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Evans
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

URGENT 12-29-63 6-44 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

BAPBOMB.

DAILY SUMMARY.

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62c-10 [REDACTED] A REPORTED ASSOCIATE OF ROBERT
CHAMBLISS, DETERMINED TO BE RESIDING IN SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA.

[REDACTED]
BUT INVESTIGATION INDICATES HE HAS RESIDED AT ADDRESS FOR SEVERAL
YEARS. DISCREPANCY WILL BE RESOLVED BY INTERVIEW WHICH WILL BE
USED AS ENTREE TO DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS.

THREE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED. THIRTY PENDING.

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DAILY SUMMARY.

6 DEC 30 1953

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FOUR INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED. THIRTYTWO PENDING.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Evans	
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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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DAILY SUMMARY.

USA MACON WEAVER TODAY CONTACTED SAC AND STATED US DISTRICT JUDGE CLARENCE W. ALLGOOD BIRMINGHAM DESIRED CONFERENCE MONDAY MORNING DECEMBER THREE ZERO WITH SAC CONCERNING POSSIBILITY OF GIVING CURRENT FEDERAL GRAND JURY SOME FORM OF SUMMARY CONCERNING DEVELOPEMENTS IN THE BAPBOMB CASE IN FEBRUARY ONE NINE SIX FOUR. SAC WILL MEET WITH JUDGE ALLGOOD WHO IS VERY FRIENDLY TO FBI AND OBTAIN PARTICULARS CONCERNING REQUEST BUT WILL MAKE NO COMMITMENT WITHOUT PROPER CLEARANCE FROM BUREAU.

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Received by Belmont 12/30/63 157-1025-777
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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352)
FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025)

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SUTEL RESULTS OF SAC'S CONFERENCE WITH U.S. DISTRICT
JUDGE ALLGOOD DECEMBER THIRTY LAST.

RBL:cag *cag*

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NOTE:

SAC, Birmingham had furnished information that on 12/30/63 U. S. District Judge Allgood, Birmingham, had requested a conference with the SAC concerning presentation of some sort of summary concerning our investigation into the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church to the present grand jury during February, 1964.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont *abw*

DATE: December 24, 1963

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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Belmont _____
Mohr _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
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Evans _____
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ACTION:

That the attached letterhead memorandum be handled by liaison with Army authorities. *Don 12-21-63*

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1 - Liaison Section

Enclosure

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Date: 12/17/63

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TO: DIRECTOR (157-1025)
 FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)
 RE: **BAPBOMB**

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 JUN 23 1964
 ANS. BY: ...

Re: WAYLENE VAUGHN

Remyairtel to Bureau, 11/27/63; Bureau airtel to Birmingham, 12/3/63, and Bureau airtel to Birmingham, 12/11/63.

Enclosed for Bureau are the original and three copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned [REDACTED] for dissemination at the SOG.

*Special Request**67c***ENCLOSURE**

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 4) - AM RM
 3 - Birmingham (2 - 157-352) EX-102
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10cc Original with 10cc Army 12/24/63 by Liaison
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DEC 30 1963

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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Evans	
Mr. Gale	
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Mr. Trotter	
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TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 12/30/63

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

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Mohr	_____
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Callahan	_____
Conrad	_____
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The Birmingham Office has advised that the U. S. Attorney, Macon Weaver in Birmingham contacted SAC Raymond Faisst and advised that U. S. District Judge Clarence W. Allgood desires a conference today, 12/30/63, concerning the possibility of giving the current Federal Grand Jury in Birmingham some sort of summary in February, 1964, concerning developments in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

SAC Faisst is meeting with Judge Allgood today and it should be noted that Judge Allgood is very friendly to the Bureau. SAC Faisst will obtain particulars concerning the request of Judge Allgood but will make no commitment without prior clearance from the Bureau.

In this regard it should be noted that our investigation of the bombing of the church does not indicate any basis for Federal jurisdiction since there is no indication of interstate transportation of explosives.

ACTION:

Following the conference with Judge Allgood, SAC Faisst will submit the particulars concerning the conference.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

RBL:cag

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Date 1-8-79

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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap Bomb*

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Date: 12/21/63

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
(Attention: Identification Division)

FROM SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-189) (P)

BAPBOMB

Re Knoxville letter to Bureau 12/4/63; Bulet
to Knoxville 12/13/63.

Attached are FD-9's for some of individuals listed
in both references of whom Knoxville has pending individual
cases. Please furnish requested information to individual
case files:

RM
(157-New)

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(157-209)

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Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

John Warner

Boatman

URGENT 12-31-63 9-10 PM CST WCR

TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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FOUR INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED AND ABOUT TWENTYFIVE PENDING.

END ACK PLS.

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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. DeLoach _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Bishop _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
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Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
Mr. Tavel _____
Mr. Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

URGENT 1-1-64 7-49 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 1P

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NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS.

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To: SAC, Birmingham (157-352)
From: Director, FBI (157-1025)
RAPBOMB

Reurtel 12/31/63.

Bureau should be kept immediately advised of any additional developments relating to Judge Allgood's consideration of giving developments in this matter to the February, 1964, Federal grand jury.

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NOTE: See memo Rosen to Belmont, same caption, 1/2/64, HET:nkr.

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Bap bomb*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

Tolson _____
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TO : Mr. Belmont *ABW*

DATE: January 2, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen *ARM*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63,
BOMBING MATTERS

The Birmingham Office had advised that U. S. District Judge Clarence W. Allgood, who is friendly with the Bureau, desired to confer with SAC Faisst concerning the possibility of giving the February, 1964, Federal grand jury some developments in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. Our investigation does not indicate any basis for Federal jurisdiction since there is no indication of interstate transportation of explosives and SAC Faisst was instructed to obtain particulars concerning Judge Allgood's request but to make no commitment without prior clearance from the Bureau.

Birmingham has now advised that U. S. District Judge Allgood who originally had desired conference on this matter 12/30/63, has advised he is now unexpectedly tied up on some other matters and indicated he would probably take the matter up again sometime after the first of the year, possibly in the latter part of January prior to the time the grand jury reconvenes to hear matters of this type.

ACTION:

The Birmingham Division has been instructed to keep the Bureau immediately advised of any further developments.

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

HET:nkr
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Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. DeLoach _____
Mr. Evans _____
Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen *Rosen* _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
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URGENT 12-31-63 2-08 PM CST RJS

TO DIRECTOR, FBI /157-1025/
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM /157-352/

BAPBOMB.

RE BUREAU TELETYPE DECEMBER THIRTYFIRST, SIXTYTHREE.

U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE ALLGOOD WAS UNEXPECTEDLY TIED UP ON SOME OTHER MATTERS AND INDICATED HE WOULD PROBABLY TAKE THE MATTER UP AGAIN SOMETIME AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR, POSSIBLY IN THE LATTER PART OF JANUARY PRIOR TO THE TIME THE GRAND JURY RECONVENES TO HEAR MATTERS OF THIS TYPE.

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53 JAN 8 1964
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Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. Belmont	_____
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Miss Holmes	_____
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URGENT 1-4-64 8-13 PM CST HEP

TO DIRECTOR /157-1025/

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 3P

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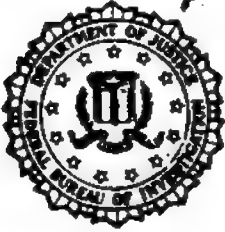
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REPORT

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LATENT CASE NO.

157-352
157-1025
45583

January 2, 1964

TO: SAC, Birmingham

RE: BAPBOMB

REFERENCE: Letter 12-23-63
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Birmingham
SPECIMENS:

No fingerprints were located here for [REDACTED]

The latent fingerprints in case entitled "Unknown Subject; Bombing of Temple Beth-El Jewish Synagogue, 21st Way and Highland Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama, 4-28-58," Bufile 100-200-4, are not identical with the fingerprints of the other thirty-two individuals named in list.

Tolson _____
Belmont _____
Mohr _____
Casper _____
Callahan _____
Conrad _____
DeLoach _____
Evans _____
Gale _____
Rosen _____
Sullivan _____
Tavel _____
Trotter _____
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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Reference No: 157-358

Received: 12-26-63/cbg

FBI File No: 157-1025-201

Latent Case No: 45563

Answer to: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

Examination requested by: addressee

Copy to:

RE: BAPBOMB

Date of reference communication: letter 12-23-63
Specimens: 34

See attached list of 23 named individuals

Result of examination:

Examination by:

Evidence noted by:

List to card Index 12/26

No prints located here for

Latent prints in this case not ident. prints of the
other 32 individuals named - wiled. 12/30

Examination completed: Date Time

Dictated: Date

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To: SAC, Birmingham

From: Director, FBI

BAPBOMB

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Re Bureau tel 12/12/63.

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Robert Chambliss.

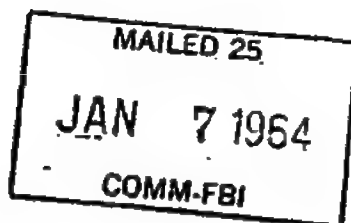
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NOTE:

The Bureau granted authority for the survey and installation of a misur on Robert Chambliss, the principal suspect of the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham. This authority was granted 12/12/63 and to date it is not known whether or not this installation has actually been made.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

○ BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

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Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

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[REDACTED]

THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE. FURNISHED

NOTHING OF VALUE TO INSTANT CASE. BLANTON TALKED ABOUT HAVING AN
APARTMENT FOR RENT BUT WOULD NOT DISCUSS BOMBINGS.

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Mr. Evans	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
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Mr. Trotter	_____
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Harper

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

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JAN. 3, 1964

Baptist

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is very hard for me to believe that the bombing in Birmingham where the three children were killed was not investigated and solved by the F.B.I.

Have you been prevented from making the facts known?

As an American citizen and as a tax payer, I am entitled to the facts.

Please let us know.

Yours truly,

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Jan. 3, 1964

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Have you been prevented from making the facts known?

me As an American citizen.

COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE #8

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January 8, 1964

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of January 3rd has been received.

The FBI is presently conducting an intensive investigation of the September 15th bombing at Birmingham, Alabama. The complete resources of this Bureau are being utilized in this case, but, in accordance with our long-standing policy, we do not issue statements as to our progress in connection with this Bureau's investigations.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

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67 [REDACTED] WAS OBSERVED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT,
[REDACTED] BIRMINGHAM, ON JANUARY TEN, SIXTYFOUR.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

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BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

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[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., OBSERVED WALKING ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD PASSING
OUT ONE PAGE MIMEOGRAPHED SHEETS BEARING HEADING QUOTE "THE
BIRMINGHAM TRUTH" END QUOTE, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, JANUARY ONE NINE
SIX FOUR, VOLUME ONE, NUMBER ONE, WHICH BLASTS PRESENT CITY
COMMISSION AND THEIR ACTIONS AS WELL AS "THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS".

COPY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO BUREAU.

INDIVIDUAL TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OBSERVED ASSISTING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT NSRP HEADQUARTERS, BIRMINGHAM.
[REDACTED]

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FBI BIRMGHAM

6-09 PM CST URGENT 1-12-64 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., INTERVIEWED AFTER OBSERVED HE WAS
DISTRIBUTING HANDBILLS. BLANTON MADE AVAILABLE A HANDBILL WHICH IN
SUBSTANCE WAS CRITICAL OF PRESENT BIRMINGHAM ADMINISTRATION AND
QUOTE THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS UNQUOTE. BLANTON SAID HE HAD NO INFORMATION
RE BAPEOMB. BLANTON DID COMMENT HE WOULD MOVE TO FLORIDA IF HE COULD
SELL HIS HOUSE.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-918) (P)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
(OO: Birmingham)

RACIAL MATTERS
(OO: Miami)

- 6 - Bureau (Enc. 8) (AM) (RM)
(3 - 157-1025) (BAPBOMB)
(3 - [REDACTED])
- 4 - Birmingham (Enc. 4) (AM) (RM)
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- 4 - Mobile (Enc. 4) (AM) (RM)
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DATE 5/25/77

Approved: [Signature]

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Special Agent in Charge

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Per [Signature]

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Re Birmingham airtel to Director, 12/31/63,
and Miami airtel to Director, 12/16/63, captioned as
above.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of
a letterhead memorandum captioned as [REDACTED]
Enclosed for listed offices are appropriate number of
the letterhead memorandum as reflected in copies to of-
fices.

b2c
Referenced Birmingham airtel requested Miami
to give serious consideration to interviewing [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Miami has considered this matter and strongly
recommends [REDACTED] not be interviewed. This recommenda-
tion is based on the following reasons:

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In addition to the above, it has been noted in the past by the Miami Office that interviews with individuals of [REDACTED] caliber result in little or no information of value as a result of the interview, provided, of course, they are willing to be interviewed.

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[REDACTED] Birmingham may desire to give this possibility consideration, and if plausible would recommend same to the Bureau in order that [REDACTED] could be furnished with expense money.

Reference is made to Mobile airtel to Miami, 9/27/63, captioned "MOBILE COUNTY CITIZENS COUNCIL, RACIAL MATTERS." The first two paragraphs of this communication are set forth as follows:

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"The Mobile County Citizens Council was recently organized and is currently active in Mobile in picketing stores which operate integrated lunch counters and in voicing opposition to the operation of an integrated high school in Mobile.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Based on statements in the letterhead memorandum that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mobile and Birmingham should consider the possibility of contacting the local press and obtaining photographs regarding these picketings, looking towards identifying [REDACTED]

Charlotte and Savannah are requested to review their indices regarding [REDACTED]

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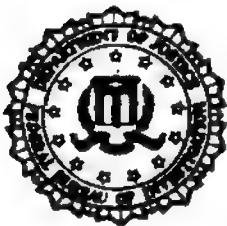
It is noted that this letterhead memorandum is not being disseminated to local Secret Service since there are no statements relating to the president; however, as soon as complete background investigation can be obtained, Miami will prepare a letterhead memorandum for dissemination to the local U.S. Secret Service.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Miami, Florida
January 8, 1964

Re: [REDACTED]

On January 7, 1963, a source who has furnished reliable information and in addition has furnished some information that could not be verified or corroborated, stated as follows:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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JAN 14 1964

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Re: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

A characterization of the NSRP and the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (United Klans) are attached hereto, and sources therein have furnished reliable information in the past.

[REDACTED]

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

[REDACTED]

On December 26, 1963, an Agent of the FBI observed an old-model cream-colored Pontiac bearing 1963 Florida license [REDACTED]

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APPENDIX

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UNITED KLANS)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern states.

On August 14, 1961, the second source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The second source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted at the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the Klaverns of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

On November 26, 1957, a source advised that the United White Party (UWP) was organized at a convention held in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 10, 1957. An article in the November 26, 1957, issue of the "Greenville Piedmont," a newspaper of Greenville, South Carolina, reported that a "Ku Klux Klan spokesman of Greenville reported the recent formation of a new political party to be known as the United White Party." According to the article, the party was formed at a recently held meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, at which many Klansmen were represented. The UWP was reported as being opposed to all "race mixing organizations and individuals."

The July, 1958, issue of "The Thunderbolt," self-described as the "official Racial Nationalist Organ of the National States Rights Party" (NSRP) reported that rank and file "States Righters" had merged with the UWP under "the banner of the National States Rights Party," with national offices at Post Office Box 261, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In November, 1958, a source advised that the NSRP is composed of past members of the Ku Klux Klan and notorious anti-Semites.

Issue No. 19, dated June, 1960, "The Thunderbolt" announced the address of the headquarters of the NSRP had been changed from Jeffersonville, Indiana, to Post Office Box 783, Birmingham, Alabama.

On June 17, 1960, a source advised that EDWARD R. FIELDS, the Information Director of the NSRP, is the individual who "runs the NSRP."

"The Thunderbolt" continues to publish articles attacking Negroes and persons of the Jewish faith.

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FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (66-1260)

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[REDACTED] "cat unit," and attending wiring removed this date.

No information of value had been received from this source and major mechanical repairs which are in process of being made on suspect [REDACTED] had presented a potential security problem.

As result of above, and in interest of security this unit removed.

No incident in connection with removal.

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3 Bureau (AM - RM)
2 Birmingham
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1 157-352-SF2)

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157-1025-810

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Approved: [Signature]
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821PM EST URGENT 1/13/64 GDM

TO DIRECTOR
FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

BAPBOMB DAILY SUMMARY.

THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS SUNDAY JANUARY TWELVE ISSUE CARRIED AN ARTICLE DATE LINE MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA JANUARY ELEVEN, LAST BY STAFF WRITER HUGH W. SPARROW CAPTIONED QUOTE LINGO SAYS CHURCH BOMBERS TO BE CAUGHT UNQUOTE. STATE PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR AL LINGO IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HE IS CONVINCED THAT THE BOMBERS EVENTUALLY WILL BE CAUGHT DUE TO (ONE) THE LARGE REWARD OUTSTANDING, (TWO) THAT INVESTIGATORS FOR THE STATE HAVE NEVER CEASED THEIR EFFORTS, (THREE) THAT SINCE THE CASHE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN STICKS OF DYNAMITE WAS RECOVERED AND THREE INDIVIDUALS CHARGED WITH POSSESSION THERE HAVE BEEN NO FURTHER BOMBINGS, AND (FOUR) STATE INVESTIGATORS EXPECT TO DEVELOPE A CONFESSION FROM ONE OF THE DEFENDANTS (CAGLE, CHAMBLISS AND HALL).

[REDACTED]

REC 27 157-1023-11

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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cc. Levin
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D [REDACTED] OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, OBSERVED
THIS DATE LEAVING NSRP HEADQUARTERS, BIRMINGHAM IN EARLY AM AND
PROCEEDING TO DOWNTOWN BIRMINGHAM IN HIS PERSONAL CAR. SHORTLY
THEREAFTER, [REDACTED] OBSERVED CONFERRING WITH [REDACTED]
OF BIRMINGHAM, IN [REDACTED] OFFICE AND AGAIN OBSERVED IN SAME OFFICE
IN LATE AFTERNOON.

NO REPAIR OR RENOVATION EFFORTS BY NSRP MEMBERS AT PROPOSED
ENSSLEY NSRP MEETING HALL, TWO ZERO ONE ZERO B AVENUE E, ENSLEY,
OBSERVED TODAY.

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TO SACS BIRMINGHAM (157-352)
LITTLE ROCK

REC-33

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025) - 812

RAPBOMB.

RE BIRMINGHAM AIRTEL JANUARY TEN, SIXTYFOUR. PERMISSION
BEING DENIED TO AFFORD [REDACTED] A POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION.
CHANCES OF OBTAINING POSITIVE RESULTS WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARE EXTREMELY DOUBTFUL AND UNLESS COMPELLING
REASON EXISTS TO AFFORD POLYGRAPH, IT SHOULD NOT BE DONE.

1 - Mr. Conrad
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deferred teletype.

Birmingham has requested to afford a polygraph
exam to one [REDACTED] is a suspect in the bombing
although not a prime suspect. Birmingham has requested the
services of SA [REDACTED] of Little Rock to conduct
the polygraph on 1/16/64. This matter has been discussed
with the Laboratory.

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1/15/64

Airtel

To: SAC, Birmingham (157-382)

From: Director, FBI (157-1025)

C BAPBOMB

Reurtel 12/31/63, re conference with U. S. District Judge Allgood.

Advise Bureau if Judge Allgood has again brought up the matter of presentation of facts in this matter to the grand jury. Do not contact Judge Allgood in this matter unless he contacts your office.

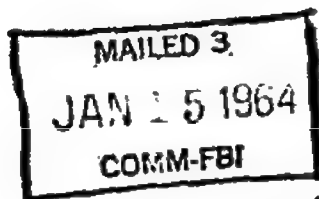
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NOTE:

USDJ Clarence W. Allgood, who is friendly with the Bureau, at the end of December, 1963, desired to confer with SAC Faisst concerning the possibility of giving the 1964 Federal grand jury some developments in the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama. Judge Allgood had to put off the conference until after the new year. Birmingham will make no commitment to Judge Allgood without clearing with the Bureau.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BAPBOMB DAILY SUMMARY.

[REDACTED] WAS OBSERVED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT

[REDACTED] BIRMINGHAM, ON JANUARY FOURTEEN, SIXTYFOUR.

PERSONAL CAR OF [REDACTED] ATLANTA, OBSERVED

EARLY AM THIS DATE FRONT YARD OF [REDACTED] RESIDENCE.

[REDACTED] OBSERVED LEAVING [REDACTED] RESIDENCE LATE A.M. AND AFTER ENTERING
CAR PROCEEDED TO NSRP HEADQUARTERS. LATER IN DAY [REDACTED] OBSERVED
CONFERRING WITH [REDACTED] BIRMINGHAM.

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cc - Lavin

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Mr. Casper	
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Mr. Conrad	
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See File 66-2554-7530 for authority.

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ReBuairtel, 12/20/63.

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Mr. Casper	_____
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Mr. Conrad	_____
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FBI BIRMGHAM

7:46 PM CST URGENT 1-16-64 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

AS FOLLOWUP OF PRESS RELEASE MADE BY COLONEL AL LINGO,
ALABAMA HIGHWAY PATROL, PAST SUNDAY WHEN HE STATED ONE OF THREE
INDIVIDUALS, CHARLES CAGLE, JOHN WESLEY HALL, OR ROBERT CHAMBLISS
WOULD PROBABLY PROVIDE INFORMATION LEADING TO SOLUTION OF CHURCH
BOMBING CASES,

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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-503)

SUBJECT : BAPBOMB
(OO: BIRMINGHAM)

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RACIAL MATTERS
(OO: MIAMI)

Re Miami airtel to Director, 1/8/64.

Records of the Savannah Office contain no
information identifiable with [REDACTED]

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(3- 157-1025) (BAPBOMB)
[REDACTED]

2- Birmingham (AM)
(1- 157-352) (BAPBOMB)
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72 JAN 23 1964 Special Agent in Charge

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FROM BIRMINGHAM /157-352/ 2P

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

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Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. Felt
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Tele. Room
Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

Mr. Sullivan
Rosen
DeLoach

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MR. BELMONT FOR THE DIRECTOR

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FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU HERITAGE ENTERPRISES IS GROUP
OF KLANSMEN AND SYMPATHIZERS REPORTEDLY BEING FORMED TO SELL INSURANCE
AND PROPERTY TO KLAN MEMBERS AND SYMPATHIZERS.

[REDACTED]

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

January 21, 1964
GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
Birmingham is being instructed to
follow this matter closely.

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EFFORTS CONTINUING TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW WITNESSES.

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FROM WORK DURING PERTINENT PERIODS, MAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER LAST.

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cc Mr. Roach

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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025) - 823
REC-16

BAPBOMB.

REURTEL JANUARY TWENTY-ONE, SIXTYFOUR.

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FURNISH ATLANTA PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECTS IN THIS MATTER FOR EXHIBITION TO [REDACTED] SERIOUS CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO AFFORDING PERSONS NAMED IN RETEL POLYGRAPH EXAMINATION. APPROPRIATE RECORDS SHOULD BE REVIEWED TO ASCERTAIN IF DYNAMITE HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AT HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION SITE, IRONDALE, ALABAMA. APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE CONDUCTED CONCERNING ACTIVITIES, CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES OF [REDACTED]

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San Diego 15 Calif

Justice Department
Washington DC

Dear Sirs: Baptist

What has been done
to protect the people in
the Birmingham area
from further bombings
of their churches if they
ever have to ask for
their rights again.

There was not one but
several lives lost in one bomb-
ing. No body knows what
the children might have been
if they had grown up
perhaps another Martin

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January 22, 1964

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FBI

San Diego 15, California

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by Rowe Task Force
Date 1-8-79

Dear

Your letter of January 16th has been received.

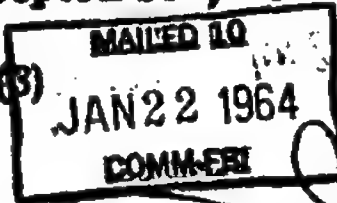
The FBI's jurisdiction to investigate bombings comes from the Civil Rights Act of 1960 which became effective on May 6, 1960. It is broad in scope, but the Department of Justice has stated that Congress clearly indicated there was no intention in the statute to usurp investigative and prosecutive authority in bombing matters from state and local authorities. The Department has instructed that the FBI should not initiate investigations into such cases without special Departmental authorization.

The facts of each bombing incident are presented immediately to the Department, and the FBI enters a case when requested by the Department to do so. Due to the nature of the September 15th bombing at Birmingham in which four children were killed, the FBI began an immediate investigation and advised the Department of the action being taken. The complete resources of this Bureau are still being utilized to solve this case. Although the FBI does not actively investigate all bombing cases, it does cooperate in every way possible with state and local authorities. The full facilities of the FBI Laboratory and Identification Division are available to render any assistance.

Acting within the law, the FBI has recorded a number of accomplishments in the civil rights field. For example, FBI investigations have enabled the Department of Justice to file more than forty suits in five states to end racial discrimination in voting. FBI Agents solved the case involving the burning of a Greyhound bus transporting "Freedom Riders" through Alabama in 1961. Six persons have been convicted for their part in this crime. An FBI investigation in September, 1962, led to the arrest and conviction in state court

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Mrs. Joe Cole

of four persons for burning a Negro church in Terrell County, Georgia. FBI Agents also arrested Byron De La Beckwith, the man charged with the murder of Medgar Evers, the Mississippi leader of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Enclosed is some literature I hope will assist you in understanding this Bureau's role in connection with civil rights matters.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosures (2)

The FBI's Role in the Field of Civil Rights
The FBI and Civil Rights

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San Diego 15, Calif.

Justice Department
Washington DC

Dear Sirs;

What has been done to protect the people in the Birmingham area from further bombings of their churches if they ever have to ask for their rights again.

There was not one but six lives lost in one bombing. No body knows what the children might have been if they had grown up perhaps another Mirian Andersen or a feminine George Washington Carver- thats not important The important thing is I dont think the law has tried to stop the people who did it not to see someone punished - but to stop it and I cant understand why?

I think there is something "very rotten in Denmark."

Yours truly
[REDACTED] 43c

ITC 1-21-64
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FBI

Date: 1-21-64

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Via AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

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TO: Director, FBI (157-1025)

FROM: SAC, Birmingham (157-352)

BAPBOMB

U. S. Attorney MACON L. WEAVER, in the course of discussions on other matters on 1-17-64, mentioned that U. S. District Court Judge CLARENCE W. ALLGOOD has not forgotten the request of the Grand Jurors to hear at least a token summary report concerning the Bapbomb case. He stated the Judge will undoubtedly bring up the subject matter again prior to 2/10/64 when the current Federal Grand Jury is called back in service. U. S. Attorney WEAVER said Judge ALLGOOD is reasonable to deal with and he, WEAVER, feels strongly that we can give some short oral token report to the Federal Grand Jury, off-the-record (with no transcript being made), that will satisfy the Grand Jurors without compromising any FBI sources or jeopardizing any current investigation.

3 - Bureau - AM
2 - Birmingham

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Special Agent in Charge

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FBI BIRMGHAM

8-10 PM CST URGENT 1-25-64 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BAPBOMB DAILY SUMMARY.

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Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Casper _____
Mr. Callahan _____
Mr. Conrad _____
Mr. DeLoach _____
Mr. Evans _____
Mr. Gale _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Sullivan _____
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Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

QUOTE POP UNQUOTE BLANTON

_____ OBSERVED PARKING PERSONAL CAR IN PRIVATE LOT OF
LOCAL ONE ZERO THREE, UNITED CARPENTERS AND JOINERS UNION, ONE
EIGHT ONE ZERO SEVENTH AVENUE NORTH, BIRMINGHAM. BLANTON REMAINED
IN UNION BUILDING ABOUT THIRTY MINUTES THEN PROCEEDED HOME IN HIS
CAR. NO PERTINENT CONTACTS NOTED.

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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☐ AIRGRAM ☐ CABLEGRAM ☒ RADIO ☐ TELETYPE

URGENT 1-22-64
 TO DIRECTOR
 FROM ATLANTA 221638

JUNE. [REDACTED]

REMYAIRTEL JANUARY 13, LAST, CAPTIONED BAPBOMB AND BUAIRTEL JANUARY 16, LAST CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUREAU'S RECOMMENDATIONS, ATLANTA HAS RECONSIDERED THE DISCONTINUANCE OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ATLANTA RECOMMENDS THAT THIS SENSITIVE TYPE COVERAGE BE MAINTAINED UNTIL FEBRUARY 22, IN VIEW OF RECENT INFO THAT

[REDACTED] MONITORING OF THESE SOURCES DURING THE MORNING HOURS HAS PRODUCED NO INFO OF VALUE. I THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT HIS MONITORING BE CONTINUED ON A PART TIME BASIS FROM 2:30 UNTIL 6 PM DAILY, AND THAT IT BE SPOT CHECKED AT OTHER TIMES.

RECEIVED:

2:36 PM

MAD

22 JAN 29 1964

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Subject JUNE MAIL *Baptist*

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Date: 1/13/64

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(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)
 FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-582A) (J U N E)
 SUBJECT : BAPBOMB
 RM

Remy airtel 12/31/63.

12-10-64

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[REDACTED]

Further-
 more, experience has shown that information gained
 concerning other individuals on this ~~test~~ does not justify
 its continuance.

Atlanta recommends that this ~~test~~ be imme-
 diately discontinued. Bureau authority for discontinuance
 is requested.

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③ - Bureau RM
 2 - Atlanta

(5) E. C. Wick

*Airtel SAC, AT
 1/15/64
 RBK/SDA*

DO NOT WRITE

Approved: *[Signature]*

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

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1-16-64

Airtel

To: SAC, Atlanta (157-582A)

(J U N E)

From: Director, FBI (157-1025)

RACIAL MATTERS

Reurairtel 1-13-64 captioned "Eapbomb, RM."

you should immediately reconsider the discontinuance of

It is noted that this informant has been monitored on a part time basis by your office due to the fact that was not always in the office. It is believed that if full time monitoring were given to this informant during the working hours, that productive information might be obtained. Prior to discontinuing the informant, serious consideration should be given to the above by your office and appropriate recommendations furnished to the Bureau.

RBL:sda
(5)

1 - Mr. Donahue

NOTE:

The Atlanta Office installed a tesur on The primary purpose of the tesur, however, was to develop information concerning and any violent activities he might engage in. Atlanta has advised that

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it is believed that the Atlanta Office should give further consideration as to whether the informant should be discontinued.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

DATE:

1/22/64

FROM :

SAC, MIAMI (157-643) (P)

SUBJECT:

RACIAL MATTERS - BOMBING MATTERS

Re Bulet to Miami 1/17/64.

In accordance with Bureau instructions, there are enclosed seven copies of a report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/22/64, at Miami, which is to replace the report of SA [REDACTED] 1/14/64 at Miami.

Copies of this report are also being furnished to the indicated Offices and they are likewise requested to replace the report of SA [REDACTED] 1/14/64 with the enclosed report.

- ② - Bureau (Enc-7)
- 1 - Atlanta (Enc-1)
- 2 - Birmingham (157-352) (Enc-2)
- 1 - Charlotte (Enc-1)
- 1 - Jacksonville (Enc-1)
- 1 - Mobile (Enc-1)
- 1 - Tampa (Enc-1)
- 2 - Miami

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Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, CRD
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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025) - 835

BAPBOMB.

REURTEL JANUARY TWENTY-EIGHT, SIXTYFOUR. ADVISE IF DYNAMITE CACHE AND CONTAINERS HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR LATENT FINGERPRINTS BY JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. ADVISE DATE DYNAMITE WAS LOCATED AND WHEN FIRST BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF YOUR OFFICE. ADVISE WHO NOW HAS POSSESSION OF DYNAMITE AND WHAT STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN TO TRACE IT.

RBL:nkr
(4)

NOTE: A cache of dynamite was discovered near a trash dump in an isolated portion of Jefferson County, Alabama. A fire marshal believes dynamite had been left for a period of three months which would have been about the time of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

VIA RADIOGRAM

JAN 29 1964

3:50 pm RBL

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Subject JUNE MAIL 16th Street Baptist Church
Birmingham, Alabama 9-15-

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 1/17/64

FROM : A. Rosen

JUNE

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING
OF 16th STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

Tolson ✓
Belmont ✓
Mohr ✓
Casper ✓
Callahan ✓
Conrad ✓
DeLoach ✓
Evans ✓
Gale ✓
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Gandy ✓

SAC Faisst telephonically advised me that Al Lingo, Director of Public Safety of Alabama, has been quoted in the papers as stating that the bombers (of captioned church) will eventually be caught due to:

- (1) large reward outstanding,
- (2) that investigators for the State have never ceased their efforts,
- (3) that since the cache of the 137 sticks of dynamite was recovered and three individuals charged with the possession, there have been no further bombings, and,
- (4) State investigators expect to develop a confession from one of the defendants.

It should be noted that the defendants are prime suspects who were arrested by the Alabama Highway Patrol for possession of the dynamite when the State Patrol found out that we were concentrating our efforts on them. The State had no concrete evidence against them. The defendants are Charles Cagle, Robert Chambliss, and John Wesley "Nigger" Hall.

ACTION:

Birmingham is continuing to press the investigation into the bombing very closely.

1 - Mr. Donahue

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FBI BIRMGHAM

9-06 PM CST URGENT 1-29-64 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 3P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

REBURAD TODAY.

REFERENCE CACHE OF FORTYFIVE STICKS OF DYNAMITE WAS LOCATED BY

[REDACTED]

BIRMINGHAM PD AND FIRE MARSHAL WERE NOTIFIED BY
FBI, JANUARY TWENTYSEVEN, SIXTYFOUR. DYNAMITE WAS EXAMINED BY
FINGERPRINT EXPERTS, BIRMINGHAM PD, AND BY FIRE MARSHAL ON JANUARY
TWENTYEIGHT, SIXTYFOUR. NO LATENT FINGERPRINTS FOUND. DYNAMITE
TURNED OVER TO JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSTRUCTION CAMP TO BE DESTROYED

END PAGE ONE

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157-1025

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PAGE TWO.

SINCE DYNAMITE IN VERY UNSTABLE CONDITION PER FIRE MARSHAL.

MILK CONTAINERS IN POSSESSION OF THIS OFFICE AND WILL BE FORWARDED
TO FBI LABORATORY FOR ANY POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL EXAMINATION. PHOTOS
OF DYNAMITE OBTAINED.

END PAGE TWO.

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EFFORTS CONTINUING TO LOCATE [REDACTED]
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-352-SF-2)

JUNERE: BAPBOMB
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ReButel, 1/7/64.

Installation of misur on ROBERT CHAMBLISS, technically feasible; however, security cannot be guaranteed for the following reasons. It has been ascertained through informants and

It is recommended the Bureau consider authorizing the use of a radio-type misur installation utilizing equipment which could be purchased on the open market. The origin of this equipment could not be ascertained and its use would not compromise any existing Bureau techniques or equipment, should it be discovered.

3 - Bureau - AM RM
2 - Birmingham

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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1/22/64

Airtel

To: SAC, Birmingham (157-352-SF-2)

JUNE

From: Director, FBI (157-1025) - 774

BAPROMB

Reurairtel 1/13/64.

The Bureau has no objection to the use of commercially available radio equipment if it is felt that this can be made more secure and accomplish the desired coverage.

The Bureau may have on hand commercial equipment suitable for your needs, in which case purchase of new equipment will not be necessary. Suitability of equipment on hand cannot be determined until details of proposed installation are known.

If the Laboratory is being requested to supply commercial equipment, full details of what is needed must be supplied by your office. This should include range to monitoring point, frequency of transmitting equipment, method of installation, and concealment of transmitting equipment.

Advise if the installation can be installed with full security.

1 - Laboratory (Route through for review)

1 - Mr. Donohue

RBL:cag:mfw (6)

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The Birmingham Office desires to install a radio-type microphone surveillance (misur) on the home of Robert Chambliss, a prime suspect in the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama, on 9/15/63. Birmingham has indicated the installation of an ordinary misur cannot be made with full security since Chambliss has close friends and associates who are telephone company employees. This matter has been discussed with the Laboratory Division on the technical aspects and the questions set forth in the body of the airtel are information desired by the Lab.

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REPORTING OFFICE BIRMINGHAM	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 1/29/64	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/2/63 - 1/21/64
TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 <i>Exp BOM</i>		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY MRS
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS	indicate

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 12/20/63
at Birmingham.

- P -

LEADS:

BIRMINGHAMAT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Will continue to handle leads in expeditious manner, setting out those leads for other offices by the indicated communication and handling the leads in the Birmingham Office as they are developed.

MOBILE (INFORMATION)

An information copy is designated for the Mobile Office due to the reciprocal interest in racial and Klan matters with the Birmingham Division.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The negative information received as result of investigation of leads in this matter is not being set forth in this report. Some of this pertains to automobile license plate checks and miscellaneous interviews regarding unknown suspects, the reporting of which would be of no benefit in this matter. The material included in this report does not reflect all investigation conducted prior to 12/21/63. There is some overlapping of investigative periods reported herein which has occurred prior to submission of referenced report.

Daily contact has been maintained with [REDACTED] Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and with [REDACTED] Birmingham Police Department, both of whom are cooperative and vitally interested in the solution of this case. 427

Frequent contacts have been maintained with informants who have been furnishing reliable information in this matter. Results of these contacts are set forth on the Cover Pages of instant report.

Almost daily spot surveillances have been conducted on the major suspects in this case. There have been no instances noted in conducting such surveillances during the period of this report which would reflect any unusual activity on the part of these suspects.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: 1/29/64

Office: BIRMINGHAM

Field Office File #: 157-352

Bureau File #: 157-1025

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF
SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA,
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character: BOMBING MATTERS

Synopsis: No positive evidence obtained concerning individual or
individuals responsible for instant or related bombings in
Birmingham area.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This matter
being investigated and results obtained thus far set out
herein. Members of Alabama National Guard interviewed re
explosion which occurred near University of Alabama campus
in November 1963. No information obtained connecting these
individuals with BAPBOMB.

[REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION REFLECTS MANY MEMBERS OF KLAN
AND SEGREGATION-TYPE GROUPS CARRY SOME TYPE OF WEAPON.
ALL SUCH INDIVIDUALS ARE, THEREFORE, TO BE CONSIDERED ARMED
AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

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Title and Character of Case BAPBOMB	
Date Property Acquired 9-17-63	Source From Which Property Acquired Alabaster Lime Company, Verlie, Alabama
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Exhibit cabinet	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same POSSIBLE EVIDENCE - being retained for possible future laboratory examinations
Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same	

1. Pill box with dirt samples from area immediately adjacent to front door of 2nd powderhouse
2. Pill box with dirt samples from pallet and floor of interior of 1st powderhouse
3. Scripto ballpoint pen with lettering "Southern Screw Co., Statesville, N. C."
4. Corbin padlock with key, from door of 2nd powderhouse

SUBMITTED BY: SA [REDACTED]

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Title and Character of Case

BAPBOMB

Date Property Acquired
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Source From Which Property Acquired

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Exhibit cabinet

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

POSSIBLE EVIDENCE

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

1. Needle nose pliers
2. Cutting dike
3. Pliers
4. Electrical socket
5. Short piece of electrical cable
6. Dirty rag

SUBMITTED BY: SA [REDACTED]

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Bufile 157-1025		Field Division BIRMINGHAM
Title and Character of Case BAPBOMB		
Date Property Acquired 10-4-63	Source From Which Property Acquired 1955 Ford Sedan, owned by THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Exhibit cabinet	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same POSSIBLE EVIDENCE	
Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same		

Following items obtained by SA [REDACTED] during consent search of property and vehicles located at 1440 Princeton Ave., S. W., Birmingham, Alabama, the property of THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR:

1. 1 short coil of insulated wire
2. Five 3" long nails
3. 1 pair 7½" electrician type pliers with green plastic insulated handle covers
4. 1 pair 10" pliers, brand name Barcalo, USA
5. 1 piece 3/4" pipe and elbow

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SUBMITTED BY: SA [REDACTED]

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Title and Character of Case

BAPBOMB

Date Property Acquired

9-25-63

Source From Which Property Acquired

Alabama

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Gun Vault

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same
POSSIBLE EVIDENCE - being retained for
possible comparison purposes

Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same

1 ea. roll 100' safety fuse, Clover brand, orange wax finish

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SUBMITTED BY: SA [REDACTED]

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Bufile 157-1025		Field Division BIRMINGHAM
Title and Character of Case BAPBOMB		
Date Property Acquired 9-16-63	Source From Which Property Acquired Vicinity of 16th Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Alabama	
Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit Exhibit cabinet	Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same Possible future comparisons - possible eviden	
Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same		

One carton containing:

Pieces of heavy guage wire from the wire screen covering the windows in the ladies lounge.

Pieces of window frame from windows in the ladies lounge.

Fragments of drapery material from drapes covering the windows in the ladies lounge.

Scrapings from windowsill of windows in ladies lounge.

Piece of red plastic insulated wire found on floor among debris in ladies lounge.

Pieces of concrete from an Oldsmobile and Chevrolet outside of church.

Piece of red plastic insulated wire taken from a bell signal system used in the church.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM BIRMINGHAM 157-352

BAPBOMB.

U.S. ATTORNEY MACON L. WEAVER, BIRMINGHAM, ADVISED THAT
FEDERAL GRAND JURY FOREMAN CLARENCE PINSON IS INSISTING THAT SOME
INFORMATION CONCERNING BAPBOMB INVESTIGATION BE PRESENTED TO GRAND
JURY CONVENING BIRMINGHAM FEBRUARY TENTH, NEXT. PINSON WAS
SUCCESSFUL IN SELLING U. S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE CLARENCE W.
ALLGOOD ON THE IDEA, AND ALLGOOD HAS NOW TAKEN THE SAME POSITION,
ACCORDING TO WEAVER. WEAVER STATED THAT HE CAN NO LONGER RESIST
THIS PRESSURE AND FEELS THAT WE WOULD HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO
MAKE SOME FORM OF A TOKEN STATEMENT TO THE GRAND JURY. HE STATED
THAT HE IS FACED WITH THE PROPOSITION OF CONVEYING THE GRAND
JURY'S REQUEST TO US AND SAID HE WOULD ISSUE A SUBPOENA FOR SAC.
HE WAS TOLD THAT IF AT ALL POSSIBLE A SUBPOENA SHOULD NOT BE
ISSUED BECAUSE IF IT WAS AGREEABLE TO THE BUREAU AND TO THE

DEPARTMENT WE WOULD CERTAINLY PREFER TO APPEAR ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS

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AND THAT SAC DID NOT LIKE THE IDEA OF ANY ELEMENT OF COMPULSION BEING INVOLVED OR POSSIBLY PUBLICIZED. WEAVER STATED HE WOULD, THEREFORE, HOLD OFF ON THE SUBPOENA, BUT SAID THAT HE SIMPLY HAS TO GET WORD TO THE GRAND JURY AND TO THE JUDGE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, FEBRUARY SIXTH, AS TO WHAT ACTION WE CONTEMPLATE TAKING.

WEAVER STATED THAT THIS GRAND JURY IS THE SAME ONE WHICH INDICTED THE NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY MEMBERS FOR OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SCHOOL DESEGREGATION MATTER IN BIRMINGHAM THIS PAST FALL, AND THAT BY AND LARGE THE GRAND JURORS APPEAR TO BE A SUBSTANTIAL GROUP OF CITIZENS AND HE FEELS THAT THEY WOULD MAKE NO UNREASONABLE REQUEST. BY UNREASONABLE HE SAID HE MEANS THAT A GENERAL STATEMENT WOULD PROBABLY SATISFY THEM AND THERE WOULD BE NO RECORD MADE OF THE COMMENTS OF THE BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE AND THERE WOULD BE NO SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR DETAILS WHICH WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE SUCCESS OF ANY INVESTIGATION NOR WOULD THERE BE THE REQUEST FOR THE IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS. WEAVER NOTED THAT EVEN IF THERE WAS A POSSIBLE SEEPAGE OF GENERAL INFORMATION FROM THE GRAND JURY WE COULD CONVEY THE IMPLICATION THAT WE KNOW A LOT MORE ABOUT THIS THING THAN WE ACTUALLY DO AND IF THIS FILTERED BACK TO SOME OF THE SUSPECTS IT MIGHT HAVE A SALUTARY EFFECT ON

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SOME OF THE SUSPECTS AND ACT AS A DETERRENT TO SOME FUTURE
CONTEMPLATED UNDERTAKING. b7c

IT IS MY RECOMMENDATION THAT SAC AND / OR SA [REDACTED] TO WHOM CASE IS ASSIGNED AND WHO HAS JUST CONCLUDED REVIEW OF VOLUMINOUS MATERIAL IN BAPBOMB FILES FOR PREPARATION OF PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY, BE AUTHORIZED TO APPEAR BEFORE THIS GRAND JURY AND FURNISH A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED. SUCH SUMMARY WOULD INCLUDE IDENTITY OF PRINCIPAL SUSPECTS AND IN GENERAL FASHION WHAT EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE TO JUSTIFY THEIR CONSIDERATION AS SUSPECTS. BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE WOULD ALSO POINT OUT THE OBJECTIVE NATURE OF THE FBI INVESTIGATION, NOTING SPECIFICALLY THAT ALL POSSIBLE SUSPECTS, IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR RACE, HAVE BEEN GIVEN APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION AND INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION.

EVERY EFFORT BEING MADE TO COMPLETE PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY BY FEBRUARY SEVENTH AND HAVE IT REACH BUREAU BY FEBRUARY EIGHTH, SOME DIFFICULTY HAS BEEN ENCOUNTERED IN PREPARATION OF PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY IN VIEW OF FACT THAT THERE IS INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO ACTUALLY SHOW ANY FEDERAL VIOLATION AND ONLY GENERAL PATTERN OF ACTIVITIES OF CERTAIN SUSPECTS COULD EVEN BE CONSIDERED FOR POSSIBLE LOCAL VIOLATION. WITHOUT EXPRESSING LEGAL OPINION, IT

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APPEARS HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT WE HAVE SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE ON HAND AT THIS TIME TO ATTEMPT TO SHOW ANY STATE VIOLATION EXCEPT FOR POSSIBLE CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT A MISDEMEANOR, PUNISHABLE BY A SHORT TERM IN A COUNTY JAIL. TO DIVULGE IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS TO PROVE A LOCAL MISDEMEANOR WOULD OBVIOUSLY BE TOO GREAT A SACRIFICE IN THE FORM OF VALUABLE INFORMANTS, AND SAC STRONGLY RECOMMENDS AGAINST SUCH A COURSE OF ACTION. WE MUST ALSO CONSIDER THAT EVEN IF AN INDICTMENT IN STATE COURT IS OBTAINED, IF THE CASE CANNOT BE PROVEN BEFORE A PETIT JURY THERE IS STRONG POSSIBILITY OF RETAILATORY MEASURES, INCLUDING POSSIBLE KILLING OF WITNESSES, DUE TO THE TYPE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH.

[REDACTED] ASSISTANT U. S. ATTORNEY
MACEY TAYLOR INDICATED THAT JUDGE ALLGOOD AND THE GRAND JURORS APPARENTLY TOOK A REASONABLE POSITION IN THAT CASE AND THE

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DEPARTMENT WAS ABLE TO SATISFY THE GRAND JURORS BY SUBSTITUTING
[REDACTED] FOR A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF OTHER POSSIBLE WITNESSES
IN THAT INSTANCE. PLEASE SUTEL BUREAU'S DESIRES RE RECOMMENDATION
OF SAC BY FEBRUARY SIX, SO USA WEAVER MAY BE ADVISED

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THOMAS "POP" BLANTON SR. INTERVIEWED AND STATES TOMMY, HIS SON, WILL MARRY JEAN CASEY UPON COMPLETION OF HIS TRIAL FOR ASSAULT ON FEDERAL OFFICER. "POP" STATES GOD WILL PUNISH FBI AND OTHERS WHO INCITE NEGRO DEMONSTRATIONS. BLANTON RECOGNIZED PHOTOS OF ROBERT SHELTON, IMPERIAL WIZARD UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA AND DR. EDWARD R. FIELDS. HE STATES HE KNOWS SHELTON FROM HIS, "POPS", FORMER MEMBERSHIP IN THE KLAN. HE ADVISED THAT HE LEFT THE KLAN BECAUSE HE DISAGREED WITH THE LEADERSHIP POLICIES. "POP" FURTHER DENIES HATRED OF ANY GROUP.

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Mr. Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General

February 7, 1964

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Rosen
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1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Lavin
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Evans

UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING
OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST
CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTER

(O. BAPBOMB)

This memorandum will confirm the conversation between Mr. John L. Murphy of your Division and Mr. Richard B. Lavin of this Bureau on February 5, 1964. United States Attorney Macon L. Weaver, Birmingham, Alabama, advised our Birmingham Office that the Foreman of the Federal Grand Jury, Clarence Pinson, has requested that some information be furnished to the Grand Jury concerning this Bureau's investigation into the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. The Grand Jury will convene on February 10, 1964.

According to Mr. Weaver, United States District Judge Clarence W. Allgood also desires that a statement be made to the jury. Mr. Weaver indicated that he would be willing to issue a subpoena for the presence of the Special Agent in Charge of our Birmingham Office; however, he was informed that this would not be necessary and this Bureau would prefer to voluntarily make a representative of the Bureau available to the Grand Jury providing the Department of Justice would be agreeable to such a procedure. 157-1025-

As you are aware, immediately following the bombing of the church this Bureau initiated an extensive investigation. We are continuing to exert an all-out effort to bring the matter to a logical conclusion. We have cooperated with the local authorities throughout the investigation and are continuing to cooperate. We have conducted thousands of interviews of neighbors, business people, possible suspects and voluminous material has been written; however, we still do not have any evidence which would sustain prosecution for the bombing either in Federal Court or in State Court.

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SEE MEMO ROSEN TO BELMONT, ABOVE CAPTION, 2/6/64, RBL:n

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Mr. Burke Marshall

In view of this Mr. Murphy agreed that a Bureau representative should simply point out to the Grand Jury that the Bureau initiated an extensive investigation at the outset of the case and we are continuing to exert an all-out effort to bring the matter to a logical conclusion. A representative of this Bureau will appear before the Grand Jury in line with the above.

The Department will be advised of further particulars in this matter.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

THERE IS BEING HELD IN BIRMINGHAM, FEBRUARY EIGHT AND NINTH
INSTANT, A NATIONAL CONCLAVE OF THE KLANS OF AMERICA. CONSIDERABLE
EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO AFFORD COVERAGE TO THIS MEETING.
AS THE SUSPECTS OF THIS CASE WILL, IN ALL PROBABILITY, BE IN ATTENDANCE
AT THIS MEETING, THE AGENTS WORKING THIS CASE ARE PARTICIPATING IN
AFFORDING COVERAGE. RESULTS OF THIS MEETING WILL BE REPORTED AND
ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SUSPECTS IN THIS CASE WILL BE DIRECTED
TO THIS FILE.

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10-23 PM CST URGENT 2-9-64 HEP

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BAPBOMS. DAILY SUMMARY.

COVERAGE OF KLANVOCATION DEVELOPED SUSPECTS

ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS

WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE. BIRMINGHAM ATTORNEY MATT MURPHY,
WHO HAS DEFENDED KLANSMEN, WAS SPEAKER FOLLOWING ROBERT SHELTON,
EXALTED CYCLOPS.

DETAILS REGARDING
BLASTING CAPS SET FORTH IN BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE FEBRUARY NINE,
SIXTYFOUR, CAPTIONED QUOTE UKA, INC., KKKK, RM UNQUOTE.

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cc - Lavin

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Mallory *AM*

DATE: February 6, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen *✓*

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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I called SAC Faisst and stated that in reviewing his teletype February 5, 1964, it appeared that the use of the word prosecutive summary was improper inasmuch as we have no case which is prosecutable at this time. It was pointed out that the Birmingham wire specifically states that we have no Federal violation; consequently, the use of the word prosecutive summary would be improper. Faisst indicated that he would, therefore, call this an investigative summary and his correspondence will reflect that.

It was indicated that it appeared that if U. S. Attorney Weaver was such a good friend of the FBI office Faisst could talk with him about getting an opinion to him on February 7 rather than today. It was indicated that I did not think we ought to be pushed to the point where this situation could not be given proper consideration. He said he would call Weaver and, unless we heard from him to the contrary, we could assume that Weaver will go along. He felt that Weaver would be amenable to this suggestion.

I inquired as to whether we had turned anything over to the United States Attorney or to the State in the nature of a report concerning this matter. He stated that we had not. We had, of course, furnished information of interest to the State periodically. I indicated that I was familiar with this and that such information as was given to the State was on a liaison basis which was perfectly satisfactory and that we should continue to furnish the State information which they need to know.

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He indicated that Pinson of the Grand Jury is a brother of the County Commissioner and apparently is a reliable individual.

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I discussed the type of information which I thought should be furnished to the Grand Jury. I indicated that I did not think it desirable at all to name names, dates, or places or to indicate who our suspects were. It was indicated

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Memorandum to Mr. Malley
Re: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

that I thought all that should be given was a brief statement that the FBI had initiated an extensive special investigation at the very outset of this case and that we were continuing to exert all-out effort to bring this thing to a logical conclusion; that we had cooperated with the local authorities throughout the investigation and were continuing to cooperate; that we had conducted extensive technical examinations of various types of material which may have a bearing upon the ultimate solution of the case through the facilities of our technical services at the Bureau, the Laboratory, Identification Division in particular. It was indicated that I thought SAC Faisst should appear and state to the members of the Grand Jury our position and assure them that we were continuing our investigation looking to a solution of this matter and that we were continuing to cooperate with the local authorities.

I advised Faisst he would be given advice as to the Bureau's position and that he would have this advice by February 7.

He indicated he was preparing a summary of the information which they developed which he thought might be given to the Grand Jury. This would be given to U. S. Attorney Weaver also and it would name names and give the identities of principal suspects and the nature of the investigation being conducted. I advised him this was most undesirable, I thought, and that I did not think we would approve furnishing any specific information at this time inasmuch as we had no Federal violation. It was indicated when we were ready to present this case on the basis that there was a Federal violation in existence we would then be in a position to give the United States Attorney a report. Until that time there did not appear to be any obligation on the part of the Bureau merely to give what could be considered an inadequate presentation to the United States Attorney. I did not think this desirable.

The above information is for record purposes in connection with the teletype which Mr. Faisst furnished to the Bureau on February 5. It is my impression that Macon Weaver might be pushing for some comment in view of the fact that Judge Allgood had called this Grand Jury just about the time of the bombing and, of course, everyone in the area was commenting on their personal interest in the case.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

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BOTH MEMBERS OF EASTVIEW KLAVERN NUMBER THIRTEEN, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., FROM RESIDENCE TO KLAVERN MEETING IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF EITHER WAS TRANSPORTING DYNAMITE TO MEETING FOR POSSIBLE TRANSFER TO OTHER MEMBERS. ALTHOUGH ALL ACTIVITY IN VICINITY OF MEETING HALL OBSERVED, NOTHING OF SIGNIFICANCE NOTED TO INDICATE THAT EITHER [REDACTED] HAD DYNAMITE OR TRANSFERRED DYNAMITE TO OTHERS.

SUSPECTS IN BAPBOMB APPEAR PREOCCUPIED WITH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF UNITED KLANS WHICH IS MEETING AT TUTWILER HOTEL, FEBRUARY EIGHT AND NINE AS INDICATED IN MYTEL THIS DATE ENTITLED QUOTE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, RM. UNQUOTE.

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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From: Director, FBI (157-1025)(157-1263)

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NOTE:

The Miami Office sent in a teletype by plain text concerning the taping of an interview between a former informant of this Bureau, [REDACTED]. The message should have been coded due to the nature of its contents.

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From: Director, FBI (157-1025)
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Re:

BOMBING MATTERS

Re Mobile airtel 2/3/64.

[REDACTED] should be interviewed to ascertain if he has any knowledge concerning bombings in Birmingham. Arrangements for the interview should be made through his attorney. Following the interview, Mobile should furnish the results to Birmingham and the Bureau.

Birmingham should advise the Bureau if any of the other participants in the Tuscaloosa bombings have made any pertinent admissions concerning the bombings which have occurred in Birmingham and vicinity.

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Since these men are off limits, in order to round out investigation and any possible knowledge they may have concerning the bombings in Birmingham, they must be interviewed. RBL:nkr (6)

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TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY rte
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS CONSPIRACY	and as indicated

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SUMMARY REPORT

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POLYGRAPH EXAMINATIONS

SA [REDACTED] conducted numerous polygraph examination of persons furnishing pertinent information to this case and of people considered possible suspects in this case. Serious consideration should be given to calling SA [REDACTED] as a "polygraph expert" in the event the facts in this case are to be presented to a Grand Jury particularly if it is an inquiring Grand Jury. From records maintained by him SA [REDACTED] could advise the reactions of the various persons taking the examination to particular questions asked of them.

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Following are summaries prepared by SA [REDACTED] concerning the following individuals:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The polygraph charts and lists of questions asked these individuals are being retained in the Birmingham Office.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONCopy to: *b2c*

Report of: SA [REDACTED]

Date: 2-7-64

Office: Birmingham

Field Office File #: 157-352

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Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
SEPTEMBER 15, 1963Character: BOMBING MATTERS;
CONSPIRACY:SUMMARY

Sixteenth Street Baptist, a Negro church, Birmingham, bombed 10:22 a.m., 9-15-63. Four teenage girls killed and 16 others injured. Debris indicated high order explosive, such as dynamite, placed on ground in front of window and under outside concrete stairway at northeast corner of church. Damage appeared to be consistent with that caused by 10 sticks of dynamite or its equivalent.

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ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS, age 59, is former
Exalted Cyclops, Eastview Klavern and is rabid seg-
regationist.

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Information set forth concerning activities of numerous individuals associated with bombing suspects in some manner or with Klan activities indicating that over period of years they have followed course of action which has formed general pattern of violence. The identity of these individuals set forth, as well as various incidents they are identified with which fall within this broad general category.

SUSPECTS:

BOMBING OF CHURCH:

[REDACTED]

ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS, also known as Bob, and "Dynamite"

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CONSPIRACY:

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ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS, also known as Bob, and "Dynamite"

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NARRATIVE OF OFFENSE

The Sixteenth Street Baptist Church (Negro), located on the northwest corner of Sixteenth Street and Sixth Avenue, North, Birmingham, Alabama, was bombed at about 10:22 A.M. on September 15, 1963. Four teen-age girls were killed and sixteen other church members were injured. Examination of scene revealed that explosion had occurred along the east wall of the church and at the foot of the stairs leading from the ground level to the main floor. The explosion caused extensive damage to the church and numerous windows were broken out in the neighborhood. It was concluded that a high order explosive was used and the damage caused was approximately equivalent to that of an explosion of about ten sticks of dynamite.

NAMES OF SUSPECTS

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[REDACTED]
ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS
[REDACTED]

DATE AND PLACE OF ALLEGED ACT

September 15, 1963, at Birmingham, Alabama.

STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

Statute begins to run on September 15, 1963.

FEDERAL STATUTES INVOLVED

Title 18, Section 837, effective May 6, 1960, as part of the Civil Rights Act of 1960.

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STATE STATUTES INVOLVED

"Title 14, Section 123

Exploding or setting off dynamite; penalty for

Any person who wilfully sets off or explodes any dynamite or other explosive in, under or dangerously near to any steamboat or vessel or railroad car in which there is at the time any human being, or any prison or jail or any other house or building which is occupied by a person lodged therein or any inhabited dwelling house or any house adjoining such house whether there is at the time in such house adjoining a dwelling house a human being or not shall on conviction be punished at the discretion of the jury by death or by imprisonment in the penitentiary for not less than ten years."

PRELIMINARY PROSECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN

There has been no preliminary prosecutive action taken.

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Special Agents of the FBI

These Agents on the night of September 15, 1963, conducted an examination of damage to Sixteenth Street Baptist Church at 1530 Sixth Avenue, North. These Agents can testify to having found the following conditions present:

The characteristics of the damage, the distribution of debris inside and outside the church, and the type of debris, indicated a high-order type explosive, such as dynamite, had been placed on the ground in front of a double window of the church and under an outside concrete stairway that partially covered the double window. The stairway leads from the ground level to the second floor level and is located at the northeast corner of the church. The double windows are in a basement room of the church known as the ladies lounge, and are covered on the outside by heavy gauge protective wire screens, as are all the basement windows of this church.

The floor of the lounge was approximately four feet below the window sill. The window sill was 8" above ground level. The church foundation was 30" thick at this point and consisted of a 10" stone facing over a 20" thick brick and masonry wall.

The explosion fragmented the outside concrete stairway. Directly beneath the stairway and opposite the window sill, in the ground, was a crater measuring 5½ feet wide, 2½ feet deep, and it extended from the wall of the church to the inner edge of the sidewalk, a distance measuring 3 2/3 feet. The explosion fragmented the solid limestone window sill and tore out the foundation of the church immediately beneath the window sill. The window glass, window frames and heavy wire gauge protective screens were shattered and blown into the ladies lounge. Extensive

damage was caused in the interior of the ladies lounge. A large hole, approximately 7' x 7', directly opposite the window and 16 feet from it was blown out of a partition forming one side of the lounge. This wall was constructed of two thicknesses of brick and covered with wet plaster. At the time of the examination, the floor of the lounge was covered with 6" of debris consisting of brick, stone, concrete, glass, mortar, plaster, wood lath, and wood from a partition and from underneath and inside stairway.

The main supporting beams in the northeast corner area of the church were weakened. Numerous windows throughout the church were broken by the blast effect.

The main effects of the blast inside the church were confined to the ladies lounge.

Although there is no way of accurately determining the amount of explosives used, the damage caused by the bomb appears to be consistent with that which would be produced by more than ten sticks of dynamite, or its equivalent.

These two Agents can testify that a thorough search was made of the explosion crater, damaged building, and the surrounding area on September 16, 1963, being assisted by several additional agents. The search consisted of a piece-by-piece examination of all debris. The following material was found:

- (1) Pieces of heavy gauge wire from the screen coverings over the windows in the ladies lounge.
- (2) Pieces of window frame from the windows in the ladies lounge.
- (3) Fragments of drapery material that covered the windows in the ladies lounge.
- (4) Part of the metal frame of the wire screen covering the windows in the ladies lounge.
- (5) Scrapings from window sill in ladies lounge.

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No burned safety fuse, fragments of a timing device, container fragments, fragments of blasting or electric blasting caps, wires, igniter fragments, or other materials which could be associated with a bomb, were found.

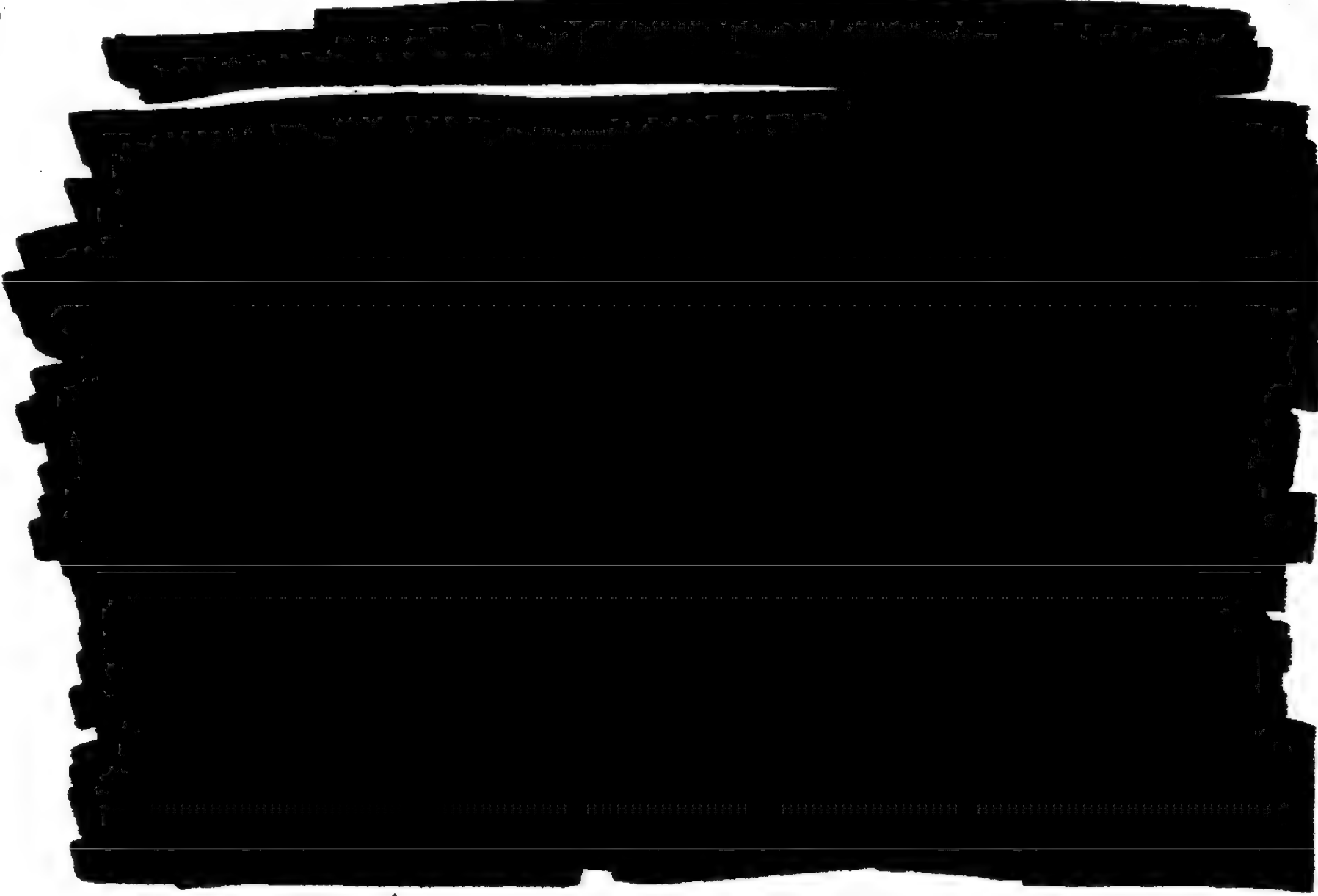
On September 20, 1963, the FBI Laboratory advised the specimens submitted failed to reveal any foreign residue or fragments which were indicative of a specific type of explosive or fusing device.

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RE: ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS

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ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS resides at 2505 32nd Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama. He is a white male, having been born on January 14, 1904, at Pratt City, Alabama. He is presently married to FLORA MANNING CHAMBLISS, and they have no children. By a former marriage he has two grown sons living in Florida. He is very well known by people in many walks of life as being a rabid segregationist, and has been identified on numerous occasions as being associated with groups and movements advocating segregation.



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Special Agents, Federal
Bureau of Investigation

These two agents interviewed ROBERT EDWARD CHAMBLISS in the Birmingham Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, on September 28, 1963. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement and that any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law; further, that he had the right to consult an attorney before making a statement. He was not threatened in any manner nor was he promised anything to obtain his cooperation.

CHAMBLISS admitted that he had joined the KU KLUX KLAN and was active in that organization until 1951, at which time he resigned from Eastview Klavern No. 13, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN. At the time of his resignation he was the Exalted Cyclops of the group. He said he resigned due to the unfavorable publicity which had been afforded him personally and unfairly because of his alleged acts of violence against Negroes in the Birmingham, Alabama, area. One particular incident got an unusual amount of publicity which involved the forcing of a Negro couple to move from a formerly all-white neighborhood. Due to this unfavorable publicity he was fired from his position with the Department of Street and Sanitation of the City of Birmingham. He felt this action by city officials was unfair as he had been doing what he was told to do by "BULL" CONNER, the Birmingham Police Commissioner at that time. CONNER had failed to intercede for him and he was fired outright.

CHAMBLISS stated he attends open meetings only, but is still very much interested in the KU KLUX KLAN and is an admitted strong segregationist, and feels that some type of definite action must be taken against the Negroes if the segregation cause is not lost.

CHAMBLISS recounted his association with the UNITED AMERICANS FOR CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT, which group he feels is the best organization in the segregationist groups operating at the time and the most likely to be successful.

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CHAMBLISS denied being involved in any bombings in the Birmingham area, and stated he has no direct knowledge of any of them other than that afforded through news coverage.

CHAMBLISS furnished what he stated was his best recollection of his activities during the pertinent periods of bombings occurring since the May 11, 1963, bombing of the residence of Rev. A. D. W. KING and the Gaston Motel on that day.

These agents again attempted to interview CHAMBLISS on October 29, 1963, at his place of employment, Rebuilt Auto Parts Company, 1508 3rd Avenue South, Birmingham. He showed a hostile attitude and furnished little information except criticism of the FBI.

SECTION TWO
CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT CERTAIN CRIMES

NARRATIVE OF OFFENSE

Set forth below is a list reflecting bombings that have occurred in Birmingham since December of 1956; which list is not complete nor was the bombing of December, 1956, the first bombing of a Negro home. It is noted that these are bombings of Negro properties. Most of the bombings of residences, except as indicated, were in the Fountain Heights Section of Birmingham, often referred to as Dynamite Hill. These were homes of Negroes moving into a previously all-white area.

December, 1956, residence of Reverend F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH.

April, 1957, home of ASBURY HOWARD, Negro labor leader at Bessemer, Alabama.

April, 1957, ALLEN TEMPLE, a church in Bessemer, Alabama.

July, 1957, a Negro home in Fountain Heights, area.

November, 1957, Negro home under construction in Bessemer, Alabama.

May, 1958, home of MRS. DORA MUL DIN, Birmingham, Alabama.

June, 1958, Bethel Baptist Church, where Reverend SHUTTLESWORTH was Pastor.

July, 1958, residence of WILLIAM BLACKWELL.

January 16, 1962, BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

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January 16, 1962, St. Luke's Zion Church.

January 16, 1962, Triumph Church of God.

January 22, 1962, Four-unit apartment house for Negroes under construction.

December 14, 1962, New Bethel Baptist Church.

March, 1963, residence of HOWARD ROBINSON.

May 11, 1963, residence of Reverend A. D. W. KING.

May 11, 1963, A. G. Gaston Motel.

August 20, 1963, residence of ARTHUR SHORES.

September 4, 1963, residence of ARTHUR SHORES.

September 15, 1963, Sixteenth Street Baptist Church.

September 25, 1963, an explosion at 1601 Center Street.

It is noted the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church was the only case that anyone was killed by the blast.

There were additional acts of violence other than bombings that have occurred; some of these are as follows:

On December 2, 1961, there was an unprovoked attack on Negroes in the Krystal Cafe, Woodlawn Section;

On August 10, 1963, St. James Methodist Church, Warrior, Alabama, was burned;

On September 8, 1963, a fire bomb was thrown into residence of A. G. GASTON.

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STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

FEDERAL STATUTES INVOLVED

STATE STATUTES INVOLVED

"Title 14, Section 99

"Conspiracy to commit certain felonies

Any two or more persons conspiring together to commit an assault on another with intent to murder, maim, rob, ravish, or to commit the crime against nature, or who attempt to poison any human being, or to commit murder by any means not amounting to an assault, shall each themselves be guilty of a felony, and shall, on conviction, be imprisoned in the penitentiary of the State of Alabama for not less than one year, and not more than ten years.

"Title 14, Section 101

Misdemeanor; conspiracy to commit

Any two or more persons, conspiring together to commit a misdemeanor, shall each, on conviction, be fined not more than five hundred dollars, and may also be imprisoned in the county jail or sentenced to hard labor for the county for not more than three months.

"Title 14, Section 103

Conspiracy defined and punished

Whenever two or more persons shall conspire:

To commit a crime; or

falsely and maliciously to procure another to be arrested or proceeded against for a crime; or

falsely to institute or maintain any action or proceeding; or

to cheat or defraud another out of any property by unlawful or fraudulent means; or

to prevent another from exercising any lawful trade or calling, or from doing any other lawful act, by force, threats, or intimidation, or by interfering or threatening to interfere with any tools, implements or property belonging to or used by another, or with the use or employment thereof; or

to commit any act injurious to the public health, public morals, trade or commerce, or for the perversion or corruption of public justice or the due administration of the law; or

to accomplish any criminal or unlawful purpose, or to accomplish a purpose, not in itself criminal or unlawful by criminal or unlawful means;

every person so conspiring shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished as provided in Section 101 of this title.

"Title 14, Section 104

Overt act not necessary

In any proceeding for a violation of Section 103 of this title, it shall not be necessary to prove that any overt act was done in pursuance of such unlawful conspiracy or combination.

PRELIMINARY PROSECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN

There has been no preliminary prosecutive action taken.

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Should this individual agree to testify, he should be able to furnish information concerning the activities of the individuals with whom he is associated in the Klan, particularly those activities in which he may have participated.

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BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

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Re Bureau airtel dated 12-18-63.

Enclosed herewith are 5 copies of the summary report of SA [REDACTED] dated 2-7-64.

This report, originally prepared as a prosecutive summary report contains that information developed during investigation that may be of interest to any inquiring Grand Jury as well as of use in the presentation of the facts in the case to a regular Grand Jury. There has been no real evidence developed to indicate a Federal law has been violated. It is noted there are two manufacturing plants that make explosives in the immediate area of Birmingham. As little evidence has been developed to prove the actual identities of the persons responsible for Bapbomb and as there seemed to be indicated a pattern of violent activity on the part of the members of the Eastview Klavern, that information available to indicate a continuing has been set out in a separate section. It is further noted that complete information was not set forth in each instance but the information is available in the voluminous files in this office that is in the proper form.

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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352)
FROM DIRECTOR (157-1025) — 860

BAPBOMB.

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CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN
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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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URGENT

TO SAC BIRMINGHAM (157-352)

FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-1025)-

BAPBOMB.

REURTEL FEBRUARY FIVE, SIXTYFOUR.

MATTER OF TESTIMONY BEFORE GRAND JURY DISCUSSED WITH DEPARTMENT AND DEPARTMENT INDICATED IT WOULD BE PROPER FOR BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE TO APPEAR BEFORE GRAND JURY. YOU SHOULD PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE GRAND JURY AND TESTIMONY SHOULD BE CONFINED TO A SIMPLE STATEMENT: THAT THIS BUREAU INITIATED EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION AT VERY OUTSET OF CASE, THAT WE ARE CONTINUING TO EXERT ALL-OUT EFFORT TO BRING THIS MATTER TO A LOGICAL CONCLUSION, THAT WE HAVE COOPERATED WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIE THROUGHOUT INVESTIGATION AND ARE CONTINUING TO COOPERATE, THAT WE HAVE CONDUCTED THOUSANDS OF INTERVIEWS, THAT WE HAVE CONDUCTED EXTENSIVE TECHNICAL EXAMINATIONS OF VARIOUS TYPES OF MATERIAL WHICH MAY HAVE A BEARING UPON THE ULTIMATE SOLUTION OF THE CASE THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF THE FBI LABORATORY AND IDENTIFICATION DIVISIONS. NO SPECIFIC DETAILS OR SUSPECTS' NAMES SHOULD BE FURNISHED TO THE GRAND JURY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
SEE MEMO DATED FEBRUARY 6, 1964, CAPTIONED "UNKNOWN
SUBJECT BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, 9/15/64, BM," RBL:nkr/ers.

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

(2) The Department is being advised by separate memorandum concerning the above.

(3) If approved, SAC Faisst will be immediately advised inasmuch as USA Weaver expects an answer by 2/7/64.

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

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TO SAC BIRMINGHAM

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: February 6, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA; SEPTEMBER 15, 1963
BOMBING MATTERS

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Belmont ☒
Mohr ☒
Casper ☒
Callahan ☒
Conrad ☒
DeLoach ☒
Evans ☒
Gale ☒
Rosen ☒
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Tele. Room ☒
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Gandy ☒

PURPOSE OF MEMORANDUM:

Pursuant to an inquiry from United States Attorney (USA) Macon Weaver, Birmingham, this recommends that SAC Raymond L. Faisst voluntarily appear at a session of the Federal grand jury in February, 1964, in Birmingham to give a brief statement concerning the Bureau's participation in the investigation of the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. This conclusion is based on the following facts.

BACKGROUND:

USA Weaver in Birmingham has advised that the Federal Grand Jury Foreman Clarence Pinson has requested that some information concerning the investigation into the church bombing be presented to the grand jury which convenes in Birmingham on 2/10/64.

U. S. District Judge Clarence W. Allgood has taken the same position according to USA Weaver and the USA has indicated that he would issue a subpoena for the Special Agent in Charge (SAC).

USA Weaver was informed by SAC Faisst that if at all possible a subpoena should not be issued and if it was agreeable with Bureau headquarters and with the Department we would prefer to appear on a voluntary basis without any element of compulsion being present. USA Weaver has advised he would not issue any subpoena until he heard from Faisst.

USA Weaver believes that this particular grand jury is composed of substantial citizens and they would not make any unreasonable request. He believes that a statement concerning our investigation would probably satisfy

- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Evans

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RE: UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

them and there would be no record made of the comments of the Bureau representative and there would be no specific request for details which might jeopardize our investigation.

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[REDACTED]

SAC'S RECOMMENDATION:

SAC Faisst has recommended that either he or SA [REDACTED] to whom this case is assigned and who has just concluded a review of voluminous material for the preparation of an investigative summary on the case, be authorized to appear before this grand jury and furnish a brief summary of the investigation conducted. According to SAC Faisst, such summary would include the identity of principal suspects and in some fashion what evidence is available to justify their consideration as suspects. The objective nature of our investigation would be pointed out noting specifically that all possible suspects irrespective of their race would be given appropriate consideration and investigative attention.

RECOMMENDATION:

This matter has been discussed with Faisst and also the Department and it is believed that the recommendation of the SAC goes too far in the amount of information that should be furnished to the grand jury. At the present time, although we have developed extensive information concerning the activities of the principal suspects, we have not established a Federal violation; consequently all that should be given to the grand jury is a brief statement that this Bureau initiated an extensive investigation at the very outset of this case and that we are continuing to exert all-out effort to bring this matter to a logical conclusion; that we have cooperated with the local authorities throughout the investigation and are continuing to cooperate; that we have conducted thousands of interviews; that we have conducted extensive technical examinations of various types of

Memorandum for Mr. Belmont
RE: UNSUBS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH
STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

material which may have a bearing upon the ultimate solution of the case through the facilities of our Laboratory and Identification Divisions. Therefore, SAC Faisst should appear and assure the grand jury in line with above.

DEPARTMENTAL OPINION:

The above request of the USA was discussed with Mr. John L. Murphy of the CRD of the Department on 2/5/64.

It was pointed out to Murphy that as he knew following the bombing, we immediately entered the investigation, sent a special squad of Agents into the area and conducted thousands of interviews both in Alabama and neighboring states in an attempt to bring about a solution. It was pointed out to Murphy that we had voluminous memoranda and reports on the bombing but that in view of the fact we had no prosecutable evidence to prove a Federal crime, we were not disseminating the information. Murphy agreed and indicated that he was satisfied that the Bureau was conducting an extensive investigation and until such time as there was something concrete to go on or someone to prosecute the Department did not require reports. He indicated it would be proper to appear before the grand jury and indicate we are continuing to investigate this matter in line with the above recommendations.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

(1) Faisst will personally appear before grand jury and confine his remarks to the facts as indicated above that we have conducted from the outset an extensive investigation of this case and that we are continuing to exert all-out effort to bring this matter to a logical conclusion; that we have cooperated with the local authorities throughout the investigation and we are continuing to cooperate; that we have conducted thousands of interviews; that we have conducted extensive technical examinations of various types of material which may have a bearing upon the ultimate solution of the case through the facilities of our Laboratory and Identification Divisions.

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FBI BIRMGHAM

8:24 PM CST URGENT 2-11-64 GDM

TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

SURVEILLANCE CONDUCTED THIS DATE OF THOMAS EDWARD BLANTON, SR. AND

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO EXPLORE
POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS AND
THOSE ASSOCIATED CLOSELY WITH THEM INCLUDING

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/6/64

FROM : SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-587) (P)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
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RM

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Enclosed herewith is one color ~~film pack~~ containing two exposures of suspect [REDACTED]

The Bureau is requested to develop this film and return the prints to Birmingham for inclusion in [REDACTED] file.

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SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-587)

February 13, 1964

Director, FBI

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EX-102

Reference is made to your communication dated 2/6/64 transmitting
☐ negative(s) ☒ film ☐ photograph(s) ☐ document(s) ☐
 pertaining to the above-captioned matter.

In accordance with your request ☒ film has been developed

- ☐ enlargement(s) made
- ☐ positive copy made
- ☒ print(s) made
- ☐ slide(s) made
- ☐ negative(s) made
- ☐ Photostats made

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-503)

SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
(OO: Birmingham)

DATE: 1/31/64

The following is a list of Klansmen or suspected Klansmen interviewed in connection with the program of interviewing known Klansmen in subject matter. No information was developed as to the identity of anyone suspected of being responsible in captioned case:

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.

Klavern No. 41
Savannah, Georgia

[REDACTED]

67-6 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

- 2- Bureau (RM)
- 2- Birmingham (157-352) (RM)
- 1- Savannah

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Washington, Georgia

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Klavern No. 310
Waynesboro, Georgia

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Klavern No. 314
Swainsboro, Georgia

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Klavern No. 4
Effingham, S. C.

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ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA KLANS

Klavern No. 2A
Savannah, Georgia

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[REDACTED]

ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA KLAN

Klavern No. 335
West Columbia, S. C.

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Camden County, Georgia

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TO SAC ATLANTA

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 2P

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

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SPOT SURVEILLANCES CONDUCTED AT RESIDENCES OF ROBERT E.
CHAMBLISS AND [REDACTED] NOTHING PERTINENT DEVELOPED.

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FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

S.T. BAPBOMB DAILY SUMMARY.

SPOT CHECKS OF NSRP HEADQUARTERS, BIRMINGHAM, ON FEBRUARY
NINETEEN AND TWENTY INSTANT REFLECT PERSONAL CAR OF [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OF ATLANTA, PARKED AT HEADQUARTERS ON BOTH DATES.

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025; 157-1263)
Attention: Civil Rights Section-General Investigative Division
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-896; 157-918)
SUBJECT: BAPBOMB
(OO: Birmingham) (P)

RACIAL MATTERS
(OO: Miami) (P)

7-Bureau (AM) (RM)
(3-157-1025 - Bapbomb)

1-Atlanta (AM) (RM) (Info.) (157-Martin Luther King)
4-Birmingham (AM) (RM)
(2-157-352 - Bapbomb)

5-Los Angeles (AM) (RM)
(1-157-Bapbomb)

(1-157-Christian Defense League)
3-Mobile (AM) (RM)
(1-157-Bapbomb)

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Los Angeles should attempt to arrange for appropriate coverage of [redacted] particularly concerning his future travel plans in view of the remarks made by [redacted]

Mobile is requested to expedite leads set forth in Miami airtel, 12-14-63.

Miami will prepare appropriate IHMs for dissemination purposes regarding the information set forth in this airtel, except for the information concerning BAPBOMB.

UACB, Miami will endeavor to tape record any future conversations between [redacted]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-1025)

FROM: SAC, BIRMINGHAM (157-416) (P)

BOMBING MATTERS
BAPBOMB

Re BUairtel to SAC, Mobile dated 2/12/64.

The following persons have been interviewed:

Police could not establish the fact that an explosion had occurred as described, although there was information to indicate an explosion had occurred as described.

This information will be set out in detail in the next report submitted in this case. None of the persons interviewed were able to furnish pertinent information relative to bombings that have occurred that can be associated with racial matters.

3-Bureau (AM)
2-Birmingham

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C. C. Wick

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ADDITIONAL CONTACTS HAVE BEEN MADE AND INVESTIGATION CONTINUING
RE THIS PHASE OF THE INVESTIGATION.

HOLD.

FBI WASH DC

cc: Rosen

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (157-1025)

DATE: 2/24/64

FROM : SAC, New Orleans (157-1294)

SUBJECT: UNSUBS; Bombing of 16th Street
Baptist Church, Birmingham,
Alabama, 9/15/63
BOMBING MATTERS

Set forth below is a list of names and addresses of individuals interviewed regarding captioned matter who have either been identified as Klan members or members of the National States Rights Party. Also included on this list are the identities of the bombing suspects interviewed.

All of these persons advised that they had not been to Birmingham, Alabama, they could furnish no information regarding captioned matter nor could they furnish any suspects.

The purpose of submitting these names to the Bureau and Birmingham is for indexing purposes in line with instructions received from the Birmingham Office at the inception of this investigation.

Members of the Original Knights
of the Ku Klux Klan

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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

OBAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY.

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Evans	
Mr. Gale	<i>PG</i>
Mr. Rosen	<i>AG</i>
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

SPOT CHECK OVER WEEKEND REFLECTS NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY ON PART

OF *bc*

NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

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Mr. Tolson ✓
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TO DIRECTOR (157-1025)

FROM BIRMINGHAM (157-352) 1P

BIRMINGHAM BOMBING CASE

BAPBOMB. DAILY SUMMARY. 3-3-64.

THOMAS E. BLANTON, SR., SURVEILLED DURING THE DAY, NOTHING UNUSUAL NOTED.

CHAMBLISS IS ON BUSINESS TRIP

TO SOUTH ALABAMA - NORTH FLORIDA.

END CORR LINE FOUR WD ONE SHD "THOMAS" LINE 6 WD 2 SHD BE

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM ATLANTA

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JUNE. BAPBOMB

RE BUREAU RADIOGRAM DATED FEBRUARY 20 LAST CAPTIONED

[REDACTED] AND ATLANTA RADIOGRAM DATED OCTOBER 14, 1963.

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] DISCONTINUED AS OF FEBRUARY 28 LAST.

[REDACTED] WAS ASSIGNED TO COVER [REDACTED]
AND [REDACTED] WAS ASSIGNED TO COVER [REDACTED]

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CC-MR. ROSEN

Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Donovan

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Reporting Office BIRMINGHAM	Office of Origin BIRMINGHAM	Date 3/6/64	Investigative Period 12/7/63 - 2/5/64
TITLE OF CASE UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963 <i>Bap bomb</i>		Report made by SA [REDACTED]	Typed By esw
		CHARACTER OF CASE BOMBING MATTERS <i>b7c</i>	

Synopsis:

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 1/29/64,
Birmingham, Alabama.

LEADS:

Will continue to handle leads in expeditious manner, setting out those leads for other offices by the indicated communication and handling the leads in the Birmingham Office as they are developed.

MOBILE (INFORMATION)

An information copy is designated for the Mobile Office due to the reciprocal interest in racial and Klan matters with the Birmingham Division.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The negative information received as a result of investigation of leads in this matter is not being set forth in this report. The material included in this report does

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Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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not reflect all investigation conducted prior to February 5, 1964. There is some overlapping of investigative periods reported herein which has occurred prior to submission of referenced report.

Close liaison has been maintained with Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Birmingham Police Department, both of which are cooperative and vitally interested in the solution of this case.

Frequent contacts have been maintained with informants in this case and that information they have furnished that is considered pertinent is being set forth on the administrative pages of this report.

Numerous spot surveillances have been conducted on the suspects in this case. No information that is considered pertinent has been developed during these surveillances.

Investigation conducted relative to any of the bombings that have occurred in Birmingham is being reported in this case.

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The New Orleans Office advised by communication dated February 24, 1964, the identities of Klan members, National States Rights Party members, and bombing suspects who had been contacted in that Division. The list is being maintained in the file.

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By communication, dated January 31, 1964, the Savannah Division furnished a list of Klansmen interviewed in connection with this investigation. No pertinent information was developed during these interviews. The identities of the individuals interviewed are being maintained in the files. The originals of the FD-302's are maintained in the Savannah file of this case.

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INFORMANTS

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: March 6, 1964

Office: Birmingham

Field Office File #: BH 157-352

Bureau File #: 157-1025

Title: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS;
BOMBING OF SIXTEENTH STREET
BAPTIST CHURCH, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA, SEPTEMBER 15, 1963

Character: BOMBING MATTERS

Synopsis:

Suspects [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were reinterviewed but furnished no information of value. Additional relatives and associates of the suspects were interviewed without developing pertinent information. Additional Klansmen were interviewed and most of them were uncooperative. None furnished pertinent information.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] State prosecution pending at Tuscaloosa. A cache of dynamite was discovered in rural "dump" area but could not be associated with bombings.

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SUSPECTS AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION
RELATING TO THE SUSPECTS

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INTERVIEWS OF PERSONS SUSPECTED OF BEING KLANSMEN

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MISCELLANEOUS

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RE: TUSCALOOSA BOMBINGS

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] on January 27, 1964, at Birmingham, Alabama:

It was determined by physical observation that the above restaurants were the only restaurants on the Atlanta Highway in the vicinity of the Chevrolet plant.

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RE: DYNAMITE CACHE

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TO DIRECTOR AND JACKSONVILLE AND MOBILE

FROM BIRMINGHAM 157-3527 P

BAPBOMB. (Birmingham Church Bombing)

MOBILE TELETYPE MARCH FIFTH, SIXTYFOUR, TO JACKSONVILLE AND
BIRMINGHAM ENTITLED "UNSUB, DYNAMITING OF RESIDENCE OF IONA
GODFREY, THREE TWO FIVE NINE GILMORE ST., JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,
FEBRUARY SIXTEEN, SIXTYFOUR. BOMBING MATTERS," STATED, IN PART,

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NUMBER ONE. BAPBOMB, THE BOMBING OF THE SIXTEENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH IN BIRMINGHAM, TOOK PLACE AT TENTWENTY A.M., SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, AND SECONDLY A PRIME SUSPECT IN BAPBOMB, ROBERT E. CHAMBLISS, IS EMPLOYED AS A TRUCK DRIVER BY REBUILT AUTO PARTS COMPANY, NINE NINETEEN THIRD AVENUE SOUTH, BIRMINGHAM, TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE TWO TWO DASH THREE FIVE SEVEN NINE. RESIDES AT TWO FIVE ZERO FIVE THIRTYSECOND AVENUE

NORTH, BIRMINGHAM, TELEPHONE NUMBER THREE TWO THREE DASH FIVE ONE FOUR ZERO.

ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFIFTH, SIXTYTHREE, AT ONE THIRTY A.M., AN EXPLOSION POSSIBLY CAUSED BY TWO TO THREE STICKS OF DYNAMITE, TOOK PLACE AT SIXTEEN ZERO ONE CENTER STREET SOUTH, BIRMINGHAM. IN THIS INSTANCE THERE WERE ACTUALLY TWO EXPLOSIONS, THE FIRST POSSIBLY BEING A SMALL EXPLOSION DESIGNED TO ATTRACT PERSONS TO THE AREA, AND THE SECOND TEN TO FIFTEEN MINUTES LATER BEING THE MAJOR EXPLOSION AND SCATTERING SHRAPNEL THROUGHOUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THE LARGEST METAL FRAGMENTS RECOVERED IN THE AREA OF THE SHRAPNEL BOMB WERE TWO FRAGMENTS THAT APPEARED TO BE PORTIONS OF A CLUTCH PLATE.

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[REDACTED] A DIAGRAM OF THE CLUTCH PLATE IS SET FORTH ON PAGE SIX OF A BAPBOMB REPORT OF SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED] DATED NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, SIXTYTHREE, AT BIRMINGHAM, WHICH IS BEING FORWARDED TO JACKSONVILLE. LOGAN, INCIDENTALLY, IS A JACKSONVILLE AGENT WHO WORKED IN BIRMINGHAM ON THE BAPBOMB SPECIAL, IS REGULARLY ASSIGNED JACKSONVILLE, AND PREPARED NUMEROUS REPORTS AND IS VERY CONVERSANT WITH THE BAPBOMB CASE. b2c

IT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO KNOW WHETHER THE AUTO BARGAIN CENTER DURING THE PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT OF [REDACTED] HAD OCCASION TO PURCHASE, SELL, REPAIR OR OTHERWISE DEAL IN ANY MANNER WITH A NINETEEN FORTY TO NINETEEN FORTYTWO HUDSON AND FOR THAT REASON MIGHT HAVE A CLUTCH PLATE OF THE TYPE DESCRIBED ON HAND. IT MIGHT ALSO BE OF INTEREST TO KNOW WHETHER THE AUTO BARGAIN CENTER b2c